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SUBJECT:BEGIN VISIT TO ROMANIA - U.S. PRESS PLAY

- 1. YOU WILL BE RECEIVING BY USINFO TEXT OF AUGUST 25
  MALCOLM BROWNE ARTICLE WHICH, AMONG OTHER THINGS, REFERS
  TO STATEMENTS BY "DIPLOMATS OF VARIOUS WESTERN COUNTRIES"
  THAT THERE IS A "SEMICLANDESTINE TRADE BETWEEN THE SOVIET
  BLOC ON THE ONE HAND AND WHITE-GOVERNED COUNTRIES IN AFRICA"
  MANAGED "THROUGH ROMANIA AND ISRAEL." COMMODITY MENTIONED
  IS CHROME ORE.
- 2. BROWNE ALSO REFERS TO "AN ELABORATE NETWORK OF ARRANGEMENTS LINKING TRADE AND FINANCE WITH JEWISH EMIGRATION."
- 3. SHORT COMPANION PIECE REFERS TO CEAUSESCU'S ATTEMPT TO ARRANGE MEETING IN 1972 BETWEEN GOLDA MEIR AND AN ARAB LEADER, REPORTEDLY SADAT OF EGYPT. ARTICLE NOTES THAT BEGIN HAS RULED OUT ROMANIAN MEDIATION WITH EITHER ARABS OR MOSCOW. CHRISTOPHER

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